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CHAPTER XIII.

OF THE FOOD, JOURNEYS, AND OTHER PARTICULARS OF THE ECONOMY OF THE ABIPONES.

222 THE wild Abipones live like wild beasts. They
224 neither sow nor reap, nor take any heed of
[241] agriculture. Taught by natural instinct, the
instructions of their ancestors, and their own
[82] experience, they are acquainted with all the
productions of the earth and the trees, at what
part of the year they spontaneously grow, what
animals are to be found in what places, and
what arts are to be employed in taking them.
421 All things are in common with them. They
have no proprietors, as with us, of lands, rivers,
and groves, who possess the exclusive right of
hunting, fishing, and gathering wood there.
Whatever flies in the air, swims in the water,
and grows wild in the woods, may become the
property of the first person that chooses to take
[411 it. The Abipones are unacquainted with spades,
411 ploughs, and axes; the arrow, the spear, the
231] club, and horses, are the only instruments they
make use of in procuring food, clothing, and
221 habitation. As all lands do not bear all things,
and as various productions grow at various